

Fiscal Note 2017 Biennium

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Bill #		HB0374			Title:	Provide for training	or school suicide prevent	tion awareness	
Primary Sponsor: McClafferty, Edith (Edie					Status:	As Amended			~
☐ Significant Local Gov Impact			Needs to be included in HB 2			Technical Concerns			
☐ Included in the Executive Budget			Significant Long-Term Impacts			Dedicated Revenue Form Attached			
				FISCAL S	UMMAR	Y			
			FY 2016 Difference	FY 20 <u>Differe</u>		FY 2018 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2019 <u>Differenc</u>		
-	xpenditures: General Fund			\$0		\$0	\$0		\$0

Description of fiscal impact: HB 374, as amended, requires school districts to offer youth suicide and prevention training to school district employees. The Office of Public Instruction (OPI) will be able to fulfill its duties under HB 374 with existing resources.

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

Revenue:

General Fund

Net Impact-General Fund Balance:

- 1. HB 374, as amended, recommends that school districts annually offer youth suicide and prevention training to each employee of a school district. The training must be at least two hours, meet the standards for professional development in the state, and be periodically reviewed by a qualified person or committee for consistency with generally accepted principles of youth suicide awareness and prevention training. OPI anticipates that many schools already offer this type of training and that those that do not currently do so will be able to train their staff within their existing budgets.
- 2. This same training requirement applies to staff at the OPI who work directly with public school students.
- 3. OPI must provide guidance and technical assistance to Montana schools on youth suicide awareness and prevention.

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- 4. The OPI expects that it will meet the requirement to approve all training offered in compliance with HB 374 by promoting research-based trainings that have already been developed. One such example that is widely used in Montana schools is Olweus, a bullying prevention program.
- 5. The responsibilities of the OPI include:
 - a. Provide guidance and technical assistance to schools;
 - b. Approve all training offered in accordance with HB 374;
 - c. Train OPI staff who work with public school students; and
 - d. Periodically review the training for consistency with generally accepted principles of youth suicide and prevention training.
- 6. OPI estimates that it will be able to fulfill its duties under HB 374, as amended, with its existing resources.

Sponsor's Initials	 Budget Director's Initials	Date